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MEMORANDUM

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

July 28, 1977

MEMORANDUM FOR: JESSICA TUCHMAN
FROM: JOHN MARCUM *Joh*
SUBJECT: Israel and MUF

Ted Schackley called today on a secure line and provided the following responses to our inquiries of yesterday:

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I also asked Schackley to get us a rundown on the political aspects -- e.g., when were the President and Congressional officials briefed on the Israeli weapons program, on the NUMEC connection, and what were their reactions. In December, Carter was briefed on the NUMEC problem as President-elect by Bush in Georgia. I have also heard sketchy accounts of briefings for Johnson and Nixon, but it would be useful to get these details in hand in case there is a Congressional inquiry later.

We should discuss next steps on this issue and the MUF release. At this point, despite the FBI clean bill of health, I do not think the President has plausible deniability. The CIA case is persuasive, though not conclusive,

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